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(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) and Assignee's heirs, successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America as defined in 35 U.S.C. §100, in the invention, and in all applications for patent including any and all provisional, non-provisional, divisional, continuation, international, confirmation, substitute and reissue application(s), and all Letters Patent, extensions, reissues and reexamination certificates that may be granted on the invention known as

(11) Insert Identification, such as Title, Case Number or Foreign Application Number	(11) <u>METHOD FOR NGF ASSAY FOR IN VITRO DIAGNOSIS OF BREAST CANCER AND THERAPEUTIC USE</u>
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for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of America on even date herewith or

(12) Insert Date of Signing of Application	(12) on <u>June 10, 2005</u>
(13) Alternative Identification for filed applications	(13) U.S. Application Serial Number <u>10/530,568</u> filed <u>April 7, 2005</u>

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